

**General Topics :: The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home.****The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home., on: 2012/2/11 11:53**

Genesis 18:18-20

"Since Abraham will surely become a great and mighty nation, and in him all the nations of the earth will be blessed? For I have chosen him, ...

"So that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring upon Abraham what He has spoken about him.Â"

**A MAN MUST BE THE PRIEST AND HEAD OF HIS HOME, TO MAINTAIN THE GRACE AND PROMISES OF GOD!**

This the 40th year of my walk. Time, or age in itself is meaningless. There are old fools as well as young ones, and elderly Pastors that or but babies in my book., ..and young men full of fruit and love that shame me. That said; I am missing about all of the people who have fell away from Christ, or, after a few years in Him, have such awful devastation in their lives.

I wanted to focus on the family; THE CORNERSTONE of all Civilization.I have seen this one....A LOT; Men who have forfeited there God given ministry as Priest and Head of there home. It amazes me, how the utter devastation of entire families occur from this one sin, and how children are affected throughout their lives from wounds derived from it.

Parents are the first representation of God Himself that a child ever sees. If the home could be defiled, and God misrepresented, then the Head is defiled, and the deed is done. True Faith is sullied, de-facto, by the deeds of life, and the bad fruit it displays.

Much of this is derived from permissive spirits, that slightly twist the Word, and remember today, in our Feminist mindset; Our days are not the root. The temptation has been here since the fall; the ENMITY God placed upon Eve...and the eternal struggle of the sexes.

This is more than mere doctrine, A Husband being the head and Priest of his home. When a co-head is established, it will fall. In name, it may be portrayed as functioning, but in the end, this will always be the woman in the seat...with the idea that this is Peace, and the reality that if momma aint happy, nobody is.

When this occurs, and I have seen it over and over, then Grace disappears, and you cannot live without grace. God will not give it either, until true repentance comes. What usually occurs, is a worldly, "bless me" life, with extreme selfishness as the standard to walk with God. The family life.. becomes 100% related to User friendly benefits, and the offender families see another Jesus....and are confused, or disillusioned.

I encourage the married men here to take the reins that God has given you, and to stand, and not let go, and as important, the married women here, to take courage and trust God that your submission to your husband will be blessed, and;

"Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

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She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night.

She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple.

Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.

Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.

Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

None of this will happen in the family if the woman decides to be her own man, so to speak, as well as if the Husband refuses the responsibility of being head and priest of his home. Blessing will depart along with the graces of Godly order.

**Re: The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home. - posted by Miccah (), on: 2012/2/11 11:11**

Great post brother. Thank you.

**Re: , on: 2012/2/11 13:14**

Very good and true article.

**Re: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2012/2/11 16:05**

Just curious, BrotherTom,

How would you guide and encourage single mothers? There are many around, even in the church. They are trying to care for children, discipline, hold down a job, manage a home, and deal with loneliness and emotional fatigue. They don't have an opportunity to obey God regarding authority. They must be the authorities in their homes, or their homes will unravel. In fact, to fail to do so would be negligence.

What scriptures would guide them in the role in which they find themselves?

Diane

**What about single Mothers? Can they submit, and find Godly shelter?, on: 2012/2/11 20:52**

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

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Thank-you, Thank you Roadsign so much. With your permission roadsign, I am going to post a new thread with this the me. I do not know what to say, except this is monumental in God's heart, that this be addressed, and dealt with in the Church.

I visited Brother Alan Martin, who pastors a group in Missouri once, and they had taken in a sister and provided for her in a wonderful way as a church, in a rural setting community. This gave her some foundation, a free-rent home, covered her utilities and food. This also with genuine shared parenting from Godly mothers and fathers, and the single too, that ministered to her beyond the greeting; "Be blessed!", to her several fatherless children.

This I respect. But HOW? do we, in our dysfunctional Pulpit/Pew system, actually transcend the religious rhetoric and dive into real Spirit led suppliant, effective ministry to our rejected single mothers. It is a tsunami today, and the numbers are mind boggling. In the black communities, the number runs OVER 50%.

Considering that many Christian families with children are struggling to make it....and often the mother must also work with the husband, and the commute, and sports and bills, and church-life??? And TWO struggle not to stress out, and in the midst of this...actually reach out and pull up a single mother???

Another solution, is one that David Wilkerson began, that I deeply admire, and that is Hannah house...mostly though for the homeless women and children....and other facilities across America..

<http://www.hannahhouse.org/>

I believe that any effective ministry to single mothers must be a commitment of the local Church, and must be guided by God on an individual church basis. It is heartbreaking, and to be honest, I have failed to find a resolution, though I have seen the need.

This must be a commitment decided by local shepherds to care for these sisters, and children, as they would for their own, and then, there will be an answer and a solution.

**Re: What about single Mothers? Can they submit, and find Godly shelter?, on: 2012/2/17 3:52**

Me or you.

**Re: The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home. - posted by jochbaptist (), on: 2012/2/17**

Amen, great post and very relevant.

On a personal note, I am in a marriage where my leadership was/is challenged on a consistent basis by my wife, while she pursues her passion (Art).

Over the years(15), my involvement in my church, family and work has steadily digressed from very keen, dedicated involvement, to abdicating completely. It then developed into full on relational warfare, and me falling into the sin men fall into when they do not have an intimate relationship with their wives.

When our youngest (5)year old daughter was diagnosed with stage 2 pelvic cancer, I snapped out of the cycle of forgiving, becoming bitter, sinning, repenting, forgiving, becoming bitter .... and seriously started looking for answers. Most of the answers I got was here @ SI. Listening to the sermons on SI helped me through some terrible days of being completely drained (emotionally) while trying to work behind my computer.

I found the pain of being dishonoured by my wife to be much greater than the pain of seeing my daughter receiving chemotherapy, her pretty hair falling out, her enduring the constant invasion of needles, drips, catheters, stethoscopes etc.

Made me understand how much we grieve God when we rebel against Him.

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So, yes there is disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home.

Blessings

Joch

**Re: , on: 2012/2/17 11:13**

It takes a lot of guts and humility to say what you said, Joch. Thanks for sharing that.

**Re: Her name was Debbie., on: 2012/2/17 12:24**

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I don't know if I have ever read a more honest and naked testimony here on SI, as yours, Joch. Yours are the cries of terror from a desperate man that is lying outside the gate bleeding from his boils, without any hope except God has mercies on him and lifts him up.....too weak to stand.

This is the other side of leaving the Priesthood of your home; the rebellion of Jezebel. How can you combat it? How can you justify it? You cannot, because it is concealed betrayal; hidden in the wicked heart of our mate....

Job found it. "Curse God and die, fool!" Believe this or not, brother, so did I. My wife chose this path.. and it cost her...her life.

For me, it was a spirit....a demon that entered her, through unbelief of course, and bitterness....wanting more than she had, and hating because she did not have. She began to curse me in the ugliest ways...pursuing me screaming the most ungodly things over me..and this went on for years, building steam...cutting me to the core.

The Lord spoke to me about her twice, in audible visitations. Once, He said, ever so clearly, "IF DEBBIE DOESN'T REPENT, I'M GOING TO BRING HER INTO JUDGMENT."....so, I told her what the Lord said. She mocked me.

About six months later, with her cursing building up more-so, He spoke to me again..."IF DEBBIE DOESN'T REPENT, I'M GOING TO CUT HER OFF.!"...This is the worst of all judgment...Eternal Fire.....and I told her. She mocked.

Eventually, I had to leave my home. My son was grown, 18, and I decided to take a job on the east coast, and send money home to her. I did, and continued to support her. After a stint of homelessness, and complete abandonment by every friend and every family member I once had...I returned.

I "dated" her, I guess, and began to just love her...like you did. Five years passed and I had money once again, and supported her...and did everything I could to be good to her. Eventually, her heart softened, and we began to reconcile. We were yet married.

She began to confess her sin to me, with humility, and sorrow for her rebellion. I never realized the depth of her sin until much later...but it didn't matter.

We lived in separate houses near each other, and saw each other every day. One day, she began to weep uncontrollably, and sobbed for 48 hours straight. Two days later, she died in the night from a massive stroke. I was the last person she talked to, and that held her.

Guilt and condemnation plagued me, as I recalled my wicked selfishness and retaliation I had committed against her, over the years, Too many to count .

Had I contributed to her Eternal Hell ? I did not know for sure...if it was judgment, or if she had been "CUT OFF".. as Judas...Hades.

That Spring, I was driving with my two year-old granddaughter in the rural countryside where I live. She was locked into her car seat in the back seat..and as I drove, She became very, very excited, and began to shout.

She patted the top of her head, her chest, her knees, and the soles of her feet...joyfully screaming..."MAW-MAW DEBBIE! SHE HAS A BRAND NEW HEAD, BRAND NEW TUMMY, BRAND NEW LEGS, BRAND NEW FEET!!!!" over and over .

She was glowing, and all of my hairs stood on end, as I shivered with awe. God was in my car.

I pulled my car over, took off mt belt, and turned around to give her my complete attention. I said;" Paw-Paw Tom didn't hear you honey. Say it again!" Of course I did hear her clearly...and then, she went into an encore ...and began, with much enthusiasm the same shouts....MAW\_MAW DEBBIE HAS A BRAND NEW HEAD,BRAND NEW FEET!"...and so on.

I shook with Holy Ghost realization as she prophesied about my dear wife's resurrected body, and I knew she had not been cut off, but judged.

At that moment, every bit of guilt and shame over my failure towards her was blotted out; forever cleansed...until even to day. My wife was forgiven, as I was...and that by Jesus. That was over 7 years ago.

Yet, there remains judgment, and it can be severe...and the key is WE MUST FEAR GOD!...as Husbands and Wives..and obey Him in our sacred marriage covenant. There will be consequences that will occur, if we refuse to repent of our rebellion. Judgment must first begin in the House of God.

**Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2012/2/17 12:39**

Brothers... Thank you for your testimonys. They both sent shivers down my back. The best postings that I have read in a long, long time.

Thank you Lord.

**Re: , on: 2012/2/17 21:27**

"Today, our daughter is completely healed, and I left all judgement in God's Hand, as He is slowly showing my wife the error of her ways, as I do my part - Loving her with a love that covers a multitude of sins."

God bless you brother. Your testimony of what the Lord is doing is more precious than gold. May you remain humble and trust in His providence. You have encouraged me greatly. I do not intend to puff you up with praise, but just to encourage you that you, yourself have encouraged me greatly.

Husbands love your wives as Christ loves the Church and gave Himself for her. This has been the most challenging scripture for me as I have grown in Christ. Yet I see that I haven't had half the struggle you have...

-Jim

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**Re: , on: 2012/2/17 21:30**

"At that moment, every bit of guilt and shame over my failure towards her was blotted out; forever cleansed...until even today. "

God bless you brother and thank you for sharing this testimony. -Jim

**Re: The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home. - posted by HeartSong, on: 2012/2/17 2**

It is my decided opinion, that the only way any of this works is if the mans heart is wholly set upon Jesus. If that connection is in place, with Jesus Christ firmly as the Head, calling all of the shots, everything else will flow into it's proper position as He perfectly directs the man in all things.

**Re: The disaster that follows when a man is not the head, or Priest of his home., on: 2012/2/17 22:54**

Well written brother.

I have found that when a man loves his wife as he loves his own body there is harmony.

Men abuse these privileges though and such terrible results come out of it that lasts for generations.

Our home was dysfunctional. Our dad had jealousy issues. Anyone taking their attention off of him meant war. If Mother paid more attention to any of us in his presense he would bat her across the room or slap her silly. The sad thing was that at his beginning was a dynamic conversion in Christ. Success destroyed his testimony. He became like Saul and I was his David soothing his spirit that troubled him.

The move toward being a priest of the home will be tough. To be frank, it will take a miracle for the millions of homes that have been shattered by Mom and Dad, because of their selfishness.

Men have a twisted understanding of being the priest of the house. They think that being the "head" means that everyone beneath them are servants. In my Dads case, that is exactly what it was like under his roof.

I believe most women want to be under the security of their husbands authority, they just want to be loved and treated fairly by him. Most women respect their husbands opinion, it's only when he takes his responsibilities lightly that she has to rise up and take his place and do what he is supposed to do. I am a man and I am a selfish person and I don't like that about myself.

**Re: , on: 2012/2/17 22:59**

Teachings that have blessed us..

For the brothers: The glory of God in marriage – speaker: Paul Washer <https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/singlefile.php?lid=14246&commentView=itemComments>

For the sisters: The hidden women of Christ – speaker: Denny Kenaston <https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/singlefile.php?lid=7325&commentView=itemComments>

For the parents: Households on fire for God – speaker Denny Kenaston <https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/singlefile.php?lid=7331&commentView=itemComments>

**Re: , on: 2012/2/17 23:01**

Quote:

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Well that is not entirely true. There are many people in the world that would put us to shame. Some not all have good balances, righteous even but they are not believers. They love one another, raise their kids, grow old and die. They have a respect for another and have passed that to their kids.

**It takes two to Tango...Marriage will fail if this is not honored, and Satan can enter., on: 2012/2/19 0:22**

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My post, HeartSong was to say that if the man IS connected to the head, Jesus, as best as he can...and the wife yet refuses to submit and follow his headship; it matters not...all can be lost.

Satan can enter a marriage through a rebellious woman, no matter the piety of a faithful husband. Marriage is a sacred trust that both must value it's sacred allegiance....according to the Word of God.

**Re: It takes two to Tango...Marriage will fail if this is not honored, and Satan can - posted by jochbaptist (), on: 2012/2/19 0:22**

To me, one of the most beautiful pictures of a marriage (as it should be) is found in Proverbs 8, where the Holy Spirit describes (Her) relationship with God (the Father) -

Pro 8:22 - "The LORD possessed me at the beginning of His way, Before His works \*of old.

Pro 8:27 - "When He established the heavens, I was there, When He inscribed a circle on the face of the deep,

Pro 8:30 - Then I was beside Him, as a master workman; And I was daily His delight, \*Rejoicing always before Him,

Pro 8:31 - \*Rejoicing in the world, His earth, And having my delight in the sons of men.

Along the lines of what you were saying BrotherTom, this scripture really nails it Â–

Pro 12:4 - An \*excellent wife is the crown of her husband, But she who shames him is like rotteness in his bones.

BrotherTom, thank you for your testimony. To find a brother that could relate, and your prophetic words Â... I was profoundly touched and strengthened by you and all the other responses.

Blessings

**Despots, robots, and the rising and fall of many in marriage., on: 2012/2/24 12:15**

So I have a question for us. Which is harder; as a Husband constantly laying down his life to LOVE his bride..AS CHRIST LOVED THE CHURCH...or as a woman, constantly laying down her will and her own way, to submit as the angels submit to their loving Father, in that LOVE? The church is married to Jesus, after all.

This is the mystery of the CROSS of Christ secretly embedded in holy romance... and matrimony. The Lord seems to give a GRACE period, where everything is roses and sweet dreams...like a heaven on Earth; just like brand new baby Christians who glow all the time, and seemed filled with the Spirit constantly.

Then, the tests come, as we realize, often quite shocked, that there is a price to pay in paradise. I must die to me, and to my way, and live to His...Jesus. If this price is not paid,by both husband and wife, and ugly selfishness is allowed to reign, you will drift apart....as will your family.

You will then become dysfunctional and worldly, and the wounds of darkness will prevail in your families. Husbands are not Despots; Wives are not Robots. But God has made a way in this mysterious mechanics of Christian Marriage, but denying yourself, and picking up your own death, while following Jesus...in the midst of your marriage...are the Heavenly foundations.



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"A SEED MUST FALL INTO THE GROUND AND DIE, BEFORE IT BEARS MUCH FRUIT!"...This principle is embedded in the foundations of the family. There is a resurrection, and there is the only place that fruit is born that God honors....." Out of weakness...My strength is perfected."

**Re: Despots, robots, and the rising and fall of many in marriage. - posted by swimmer, on: 2012/2/26 22:08**

Brothertom, I would like to talk or write to you personally about this subject. I can provide you with some contact info if you would be willing.

**Re: , on: 2012/2/27 0:41**

"Brothertom, I would like to talk or write to you personally about this subject. I can provide you with some contact info if you would be willing."Swimmer"

I am willing: ohhelplordjesus@yahoo.com

**Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2012/2/27 9:29**

Well written, Approved. Amen and Amen!

Tom's piece deserves a resounding AMEN as well.

QUOTE:

"Men abuse these privileges though and such terrible results come out of it that lasts for generations."

This is NO idle statement. It is truth inside and out. No two ways about it. I can see it in my own family. Do I have to tell you stories or will you simply take my word for it? I hope you will know me well enough you will just do that.

Still...a brother in our church challenged a black pastor about how the black men need to take leadership in their homes in order to get the black family on track. The pastor replied with by saying it is not the men's fault! The women will not submit to their husbands! If the husband tries to take the lead and she does not like something she will be out of there and take the children with her!

Reckon something is wrong? You bet - it is a royal mess. And that is what happens when we take our own way instead of God's. Happens every-time.

Edifying posts, brethren.

**Gary: and be all you can be girl!, on: 2012/2/28 22:59**

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I also have seen this happen, and in some ways, I battled with the very same scenario in my marriage of 25 years. .

By God's grace, though, I held my ground in God, and even excelled in Him in the midst of "non-submission", a term to put it mildly in her spirit. I refused, and not once did I submit to her pressure to control.

Short testimony: We had moved to Kansas city in the early nineties to a large Metro-church famous for prophets and prayer. While there I met a brother, I'll call Gary...in my home group there....single, and about 25 at the time.

He was saved out of a homosexual life-style, and was living a clean-holy life, growing in God. I moved back to my home area, after a couple of years, but ran into Gary while visiting his new church in another state. He was broken, depressed



and sobbing, as the young men in his church, and living situation began to mock him, and humiliate him, and cast him out for his former sins of sodomy.

He was on the streets, broken and homeless, and asked for help. I felt very, very strongly that I was to bring him into my home, restore him from his wounds, and bless him. I did so, and he came to live with us; my wife and 14 year old son. I did not consult with my wife for her permission; I did not have to, for I had heard from God to show compassion.

My wife was not aware of Gary's former "gay" life, and when he candidly confessed it, a few weeks later, she became unglued...and demanded that I throw him out back on the streets...away from our quite handsome boy. She even went so far to use the most vulgar slang that homosexuals are called.

Then she gave me an ULTIMATUM. "It's either him, or me!" I am walking right out that door, and I'm not coming back, "IF YOU DO NOT THROW HIM OUT!"

THE PROBLEM SHE HAD WAS, THAT I KNEW THAT IF I CAST HIM OUT, I WOULD BE CASTING JESUS OUT! and that was unthinkable to me.....I would not. So, without hesitation I replied to her...."There is the door...if you have to go, then go, but I am not putting this brother out....and, She packed a bag, and left with my son.

Of course I loved her, and my son, and was sad at the loss, but this had to do with my eternal walk, and I knew that to betray my friend, was to betray Jesus. Not bragging, because I fail a lot, but this is one of my successes in life, that Jesus honored.

"If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and ....WIFE,

and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

"And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple."...Jesus

In the end, after a little while, she returned, and was respectful to Gary...and after several weeks, he was healed up and on his way again..and it was a blessed time for him, and for me. It, in an odd way, cemented my authority in my home as Priest, Father and Head...and for me too, as I realized my heart for obedience to God, and to stand when all hell breaks out against me, and my place in my family.

In the end, I was the one blamed by some as the failure in the marriage, and there was nothing I could say or do...but take it. These attacks came from real religious folks...some I had considered friends. It just seems politically correct to blame the man.

I have seen terrible Jezebel demons intimidate the husband over and over with a variety of wicked strategies until the husband grunted "UNCLE", and submitted to his controlling, domineering wife...and every-time, without exception, I have watched these marriages descend into ungodly chaotic apostasy.

When he first gives in, there is often a "domino" effect in the man...not that he becomes feminized...he may remain very manly...but inside, he has relinquished a part of his will to this spirit, and a demon spirit it is.

You will observe him submitting all decisions to the wife, and his independence and moral clarity also. He becomes un dependable, and you cannot trust him to keep his word; he is no longer his own. He has another master, as his possession becomes complete. He then must ask permission for everything he might do, and this tarnishes his entire life...and destroys him.

It is not just in the black churches...It's everywhere...as the feminist spirit has risen to new heights and accepted as the political norm of what every woman should do....Be all she can be. The devil strives to destroy the family in that way, and these issues must be addressed in Godly balance.

Don't hear it much taught or preached...Tom